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SIR: This is a request for filing a

☒ Continuation ☐ Continuation-in-Part ☐ Divisional Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior application Serial No. 09/369,039, filed August 4, 1999 for LEFT VENTRICULAR CONDUITS TO CORONARY ARTERIES AND METHODS FOR CORONARY BYPASS.

1. ☒ Enclosed is a complete copy of the prior application including the oath or Declaration and drawings, if any, as originally filed. I hereby verify that the attached papers are a true copy of prior application Serial No. 09/369,039 as originally filed on August 4, 1999.
2. ☐ Enclosed is a substitute specification under 37 C.F.R. § 1.125.
3. ☐ Cancel Claims _____.
4. ☐ A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
5. ☒ The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 3 and 4 above.

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| Basic Application Filing Fee | | | | | \$690 | \$ 690.00 |
| | Number of Claims | | Basic | Extra Claims | | |
| Total Claims | 7 | - | 20 | 0 | x \$18 | 0.00 |
| Independent Claims | 1 | - | 3 | 0 | x \$78 | 0.00 |
| [] Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim(s) | | | | | +\$260 | |
| Subtotal | | | | | | \$ 690.00 |
| Reduction by 1/2 if small entity | | | | | - | 345.00 |
| TOTAL APPLICATION FILING FEE | | | | | | \$ 345.00 |

6. ☒ Applicants are filing this application under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Applicants await notification from the Patent and Trademark Office of the time set for filing the Declaration and the filing fee.
7. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required including fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, with the exception of the filing fee for this application, or credit any overpayment during the pendency of this application to Deposit Account No. 06-0916.
8. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line, the sentence:

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 This is a ☒ continuation ☐ division of application Serial No. 09/369,039, filed August 4, 1999, which is a continuation-in-part of application Serial No. 09/016,485, filed January 30, 1998 and a continuation-in-part of PCT application Serial No. PCT/US99/03483, filed February 17, 1999, and which claims the benefit of U.S. provisional application nos. 60/099,691 and 60/099,720, each filed September 10, 1998; U.S. provisional application no. 60/099,767, filed September 19, 1998; and U.S. provisional application no. 60/104,397, filed October 15, 1998, all of which are incorporated herein by reference.

9. ☐ New formal drawings are enclosed.
10. ☐ The prior application is assigned of record to: _____

11. ☐ Priority of application Serial No. _____, filed on _____ in _____
 _____ (country) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. A certified copy
☐ is enclosed or ☐ is on file in the prior application.
12. ☐ A verified statement claiming small entity status
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13. ☐ The power of attorney in the prior application is to at least one of the
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14. ☐ The power appears in the original declaration of the prior application.
15. ☐ Since the power does not appear in the original declaration, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
16. ☒ Please address all correspondence to FINNEGAN, HENDERSON, FARABOW, GARRETT and DUNNER, L.L.P., 1300 I Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20005-3315.
17. ☐ Recognize as associate attorney _____
18. ☒ Also enclosed is a copy of the **Petition for Extension of Time** for five months and the **Response to the Notice to File Missing Parts** filed in the co-pending parent application Serial No. 09/369,039.

Please accord this application a serial number and filing date.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION. If any extension of time is necessary for the filing of this application, including any extension in the parent application, serial no. 09/369,039 filed August 4, 1999, for the purpose of maintaining copendency between the parent application and this application, and such extension has not otherwise been requested, such an extension is hereby requested, and the Commissioner is authorized to charge necessary fees for such an extension to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for use in charging the deposit account.

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